

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-1317

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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the 8th Avenue Bridge Replacement in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is The City of Rockford, located at 425 East State Street, Rockford, IL, 61104. The funding would be used to replace the 8th Avenue Bridge over Keith Creek, address the relocation of a residence out of the floodplain, upgrade a 100+-year-old water main, and relocate a historically, environmentally problematic sanitary sewer structure. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will reconnect a severely disadvantaged neighborhood to its elementary school and re-establish reliable water service to residents, improving the quality of life for residents.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 U.S.C. 133(b) (Surface Transportation Block Grant Program). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Eric Sorensen
Member of Congress